

REMARKS

The specification is amended to correct a typographical error which is apparent from the context of accompanying sentences. No new matter has been introduced.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Page 7, line 3 please amend the paragraph as follows,

To locate the P pictures to be decoded and/or re-encoded, the searching engine 16 can search the video signal by locating each picture's start code. Once a start code is located, the searching engine 16 can signal the control CPU 14. The control CPU 14 can then determine whether the picture is an I, B or P picture by focusing on that particular picture's start code. The control CPU 14 can then signal the [encoder 20] decoder 18 to decode the appropriate number of P pictures; similarly, the control CPU 14 can signal the encoder 20 to re-encode any number of the decoded P pictures into an I picture thereby replacing one or more P pictures with an I picture and creating a modified video signal. Once modified, the video signal can be sent to the record buffer 22 where the signal can be temporarily stored. From the record buffer 22, the signal can be received by the controller 24 and then recorded onto the storage medium 26. This overall process will be explained in greater detail below.